

REMARKS

Applicants received the attached Notice Of Omitted Item(s) In A Nonprovisional Application indicating that Figure(s) 8C as described in the specification appear to have been omitted. The figure corresponding to Figure 8C was originally mislabeled as Figure 8B. A review of the returned postcard as well as a copy of the application papers filed with the PTO indicates that 22 pages of drawings were in fact included within the application as delivered to the PTO on 12/29/00. Please find attached a Preliminary Amendment in which the amended figures Figures 8, 8A and 8B have been re-labeled as Figures 8A, 8B and 8C, consistent with the specification.

Please find attached our firm check in the amount of \$130.00 for the cost associated with this petition is herewith enclosed. However, since **Figure 8C** was in fact received by the PTO but merely mislabeled, Applicants hereby request a refund of the petition fee amount. No extension-of-time fees are believed to be required in submitting this petition. However, in the event a fee is required, please consider that fee requested and please charge the fee for that extension, as well as any other fee necessary to further the prosecution of this application to **IBM Corporation Deposit Account No. 09-0447.**

Respectfully submitted,

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